

MTSS:

BUILDING A TRAUMA-INFORMED SYSTEM OF SUPPORT



October 22, 2026
8:30 am - 3:00 pm
NIU Naperville
Live Streaming
On-Demand (30 days)
5.5 PD Hours

If it feels like your school is constantly reacting to behavior instead of preventing it, you're not alone, and there's a better way forward. Strategies alone don't transform schools, effective systems do.

A strong social-emotional and behavioral MTSS creates the conditions where students feel safe, connected, and ready to learn, and where educators feel equipped, not overwhelmed.

Participants will learn how to build a coherent, schoolwide system of support that is proactive, practical, and trauma-informed.

We'll ground the work in what we know about the prevalence and impact of adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) and explore a critical mindset shift: behavior as communication, not merely defiance.

Rather than continuing the cycle of putting out fires, educators will learn how to:

- Strengthen Tier 1 practices so fewer students need intensive support
- Respond to behavior in ways that regulate, connect, and teach
- Align supports across classrooms, teams, and systems

This session goes beyond theory. Through real-world scenarios, structured protocols, and collaborative planning, participants will leave with clear next steps to strengthen or build an MTSS that actually works in their context.

Learning Outcomes

By the end of this workshop, participants will be able to:

- Understand how trauma and ACEs impact student behavior, engagement, and learning
- Shift from viewing behavior as defiance to understanding it as communication
- Identify and implement high-impact Tier 1 practices that improve outcomes for all students
- Apply evidence-based Tier 2 and Tier 3 supports within a trauma-informed MTSS framework
- Use collaboration protocols to strengthen team-based problem solving and collective efficacy
- Develop a clear, actionable plan to strengthen their school's system of supports

Target Audience:

- **School and District Administrators**
- **School Counselors and Social Workers**
- **MTSS Coordinators and Behavior Specialists**
- **General and Special Education Teachers**
- **Instructional Coaches and Support Staff**

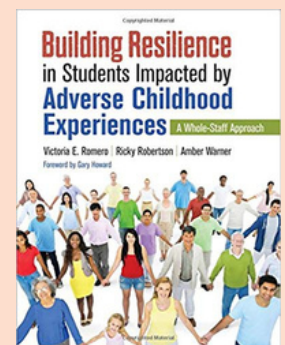


Ricky Robertson is an educator, author, and consultant who has worked with alternative and traditional schools, serving students from grades preK-12 within urban, suburban, and rural communities.

He provides coaching, consultation, and multi-day professional development workshops to build systems of support for students impacted by Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) and trauma, and the educators who work with them.

Ricky is the co-author of *Building Resilience in Students Impacted by Adverse Childhood Experiences: A Whole-Staff Approach*, and the author of the new book, *The Other Teachers: A Guide to Psychological Safety Among Educators*.

You may purchase Ricky's book.



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Social-Emotional and Behavioral MTSS: Building Trauma-Informed Systems of Support

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Live In-Person - NIU Naperville, 1120 E Diehl Road, Naperville, IL 60563

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